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SUBJ: MANPOWER AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING JULY 8-11

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1. ON ACTION REQUESTED PARA 6 (REF A), US DEL TO INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS WP, WHILE MAKING COMMITMENT TO PUT FORWARD PROPOSAL, DID NOT HAVE SAME TIME SCHEDULE IN MIND. SINCE STAFF INVOLVED CANNOT MEET BEFORE NEXT MONDAY, SEE LITTLE POSSIBILITY FOR SUBMITTING SPECIFIC PROPOSALS FOR OFFICIAL CIRCULATION PRIOR TO JULY MEETING OF COMMITTEE. HOWEVER, DEL TO JULY MSAC EXPECTED TO SUPPORT BOTH A CONTINUING REVIEW OF EMPLOYMENT AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS IMPACTS OF ENERGY DEVELOPMENTS AND HOPEFULLY TO SUBMIT SPECIFIC PROPOSALS TO SECRETARIAT PRIOR TO MEETING.

2. ON POSSIBLE U.S. PROPOSALS (REF B AND PARA 6 REF C), WE ARE NOT IN POSITION TO SET FORTH SPECIFIC PROPOSALS BECAUSE OF UNCERTAIN STATE OF PENDING PENSION LEGISLATION AND OF ADMINISTRATION'S PROSPECTIVE WELFARE PROPOSALS. IN PAST HAVE SUBMITTED SUGGESTIONS AND MATERIALS.

3. BELIEVE SECRETARIAT HAS NOW RECEIVED SUFFICIENT SUGGESTIONS,  
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MATERIALS, AND INDICATIONS COUNTRY INTERESTS TO PREPARE A

SUGGESTIVE LIST OF FEASIBLE TOPICS FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE WP ON SOCIAL ASPECTS OF INCOME TRANSFER POLICY IN 1974-75. REVIEW BY U.S. REP OF DRAFT SECRETARIAT MEMORANDUM AT TIME OF SPECIAL WORKING PARTY MID-MAY INDICATED SEVERAL SIGNIFICANT POSSIBILITIES FOR U.S. PARTICIPATION AND CONTRIBUTION.

4. WE WOULD APPRECIATE MISSION TO URGE GASS TO PLACE SUCH A DOCUMENT ON JULY AGENDA OR--PREFERABLY--TO INCLUDE IN THE OPERATIONAL PLAN FOR 1975 TWO TOPICS HAVING MOST COUNTRY SUPPORT AND MOST FEASIBLE (INCLUDING AT LEAST ONE PENSION ISSUE) AND TO INCLUDE ANOTHER SUCH TOPIC FOR WP CONSIDERATION IN LATE 1974. WITH GASS'S CLEAR INTEREST IN EXPANDING THIS AREA COMMITTEE WORK, OUR VIEW IS THAT IT IS TIME FOR THE SECRETARIAT TO EXERCISE INITIATIVE AND FOR US TO AVOID IMPRESSION IN THE COMMITTEE OF TOO GREAT DOMINANCE IN AFFAIRS OF THE WP (AS PERHAPS CASE TO DATE). BROWN

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